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SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)

December 21, 2004 7:00 PM

Mayor Baines called the meeting to order.

Mayor Baines called for the Pledge of Allegiance, this function being led by Alderman Osborne.

Mayor Baines stated I have sad news to announce that Commissioner Gene Boisvert from the Manchester Transit Authority passed away today. Gene was a good friend to many of us. I served with Gene on the School Board in the 1970's, he's been a distinguished public servant and has chaired the Manchester Transit Authority and just an all around good guy, one of the real good guys in politics, he's a great family man, a great member of our community and a great man of faith and I ask you to pause for a moment of silent prayer in his name at this time.

Mayor Baines stated I'd also like you to reserve another moment of silent prayer...as you know there was a tragedy in Iraq today and 24 servicemen and women lost their lives, over 60 wounded in the most brutal attack in the ward in Iraq and I'd ask you to keep the loved ones that have been lost in your thoughts and prayers and those wounded as well. May God's peace be with all of them.

The Clerk called the roll. There were fourteen Aldermen present.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Guinta, Sysyn, Osborne, Porter, O'Neil, Lopez, Shea, DeVries, Garrity, Smith, Thibault and Forest

Mayor Baines advised that the purpose of the special meeting is to give residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the Board on items of concern affecting the community; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak; that comments shall be limited to two minutes to allow all participants the opportunity to speak and any comments must be directed to the Chair.

Mayor Baines requested that any resident wishing to speak come forward to the nearest microphone, clearly state their name and address when recognized, and give their comments.

Dave Langlois, 16 Francis Street, Manchester, NH, stated:

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I'd like to talk about 22 Francis Street which is a paper street and there's a lot up there owned by the city and it's going to go up for auction and Armand Forest knows all about it.

I'm just opposed to it. Thank you.

Bob Chabot, 73 Joseph Street, Manchester, NH, stated:

I'm interested in what's happening at the lot behind my house. I think everything that my

neighbor has said repeats everything that I have to say. So, I thank you very much for your

time.

There being no one else present wishing to speak, on motion of Alderman DeVries, duly

seconded by Alderman Sysyn, it was voted to take all comments under advisement and

further to receive and file any written documentation presented.

This being a special meeting of the Board no further business was presented and on motion

of Alderman Forest, duly seconded by Alderman Gatsas, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk